

SECRET

HP

UC

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET 10 July 51

INSTRUCTIONS: Officer designations should be used in the "TO" column. Under each comment a line should be drawn across sheet and each comment numbered to correspond with the number in the "TO" column. Each officer should initial (check mark insufficient) before further routing. This Routing and Record Sheet should be returned to Registry.

FROM:

NO.

MA5A-604

DATE

IID

TO	ROOM NO.	DATE		OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS
		REC'D	FWD'D		
1. FDM	2056				
2. E3					Copy with [ ]
3.					
4. HR	JUL 24 1951		JUL 21		
5. CC/E/CE					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15. IID	1409				

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY:  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
SOURCES METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B  
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
DATE 2000 2008

X REF FORM FILED  
IN: .....

ENCLOSURE MA5A-370

13-4-09

INTELLIGENCE

JUL 18 1951  
INTEGRATION DIVISION

ABSTRACT

INDEX

VIA: \_\_\_\_\_  
SPECIFY AIR OR SEA POUCH

DISPATCH NO. MAS-A-604

**SECRET**  
CLASSIFICATION

TO : Chief, Foreign Division                      DATE: 10 July 1951  
                    Attention:                       
FROM : Chief of Station, Vienna

SUBJECT: GENERAL - Operational  
                    SPECIFIC - Meeting with Heinrich BERGER

Reference: MAS-A-370; MAS-W-112

1. When no news had been received from BERGER for over two months after his Salzburg visit,                      wrote him a letter and BERGER promptly replied, apologizing for the delay and stating that his wife had died after a long illness in late May 1951. BERGER also indicated in his letter that he had received an unsatisfactory answer from Police Director Richard BOEHM in Salzburg.
2.                      subsequently suggested a meeting in Graz for 6 July 1951, combining the meeting with a pre-arranged visit to                      BERGER and                      met for lunch on that day and BERGER made the following statements:
  - a. In view of the negative reply received from BOEHM (photostat of BOEHM's letter is forwarded as Attachment 1 to this memorandum), BERGER has abandoned for the time being all hopes for reinstatement in the police as a civil service officer or contract employee. He does not intend to comply with BOEHM's suggestion that he write a personal letter to (Ministerialrat) Max FAMMER, explaining in detail his plans for anti-Communist operations.
  - b. BERGER declared his willingness to work for                      "Salzburg organization" on an agent basis in his spare time. BERGER made it clear that he did not expect to get an anti-SANITZER operation going within a few days, but that he was confident that contact with SANITZER could be established eventually. He stated that he had met in Graz recently, and KOERNER (fnu), a retired criminal police officer who had served with the Kripo in Graz and later with the Gestapo in Klagenfurt, where BERGER was his superior. When BERGER mentioned SANITZER to KOERNER, he stated that SANITZER had recently approached two former police officers living in Graz and had offered them employment in East Germany. BERGER expects to meet with KOERNER again, who seems to be personally acquainted with the police officers approached by SANITZER. BERGER believes that this might be the starting point for an intelligence operation.

**SECRET**  
CLASSIFICATION

**SECRET**

6-6-2-3409

~~SECRET~~

MAS-A-604

- c. BERGER also contacted Julius BRUNNER by mail in Vienna but learned that BRUNNER could not visit him in Styria since he was working on a night shift in a Vienna factory in order to support himself and his wife who is crippled as a consequence of infantile paralysis. BERGER deducted from BRUNNER's reply that the latter was not very interested in meeting with him, and has abandoned plans for the recruitment of BRUNNER for the time being.
- d. As a replacement for BRUNNER, BERGER intends to re-establish contact with his close friend, Dr. Othmar TRENNER, former chief of the Vienna Gestapo who was transferred to Berlin in late 1944. TRENNER was SANITZER's superior in Vienna and knew him well; he lives at present in Vienna III, Sechskruegelgasse 10. After World War II, TRENNER was twice tried by the Austrian authorities for Nazi-activities and sentenced to several years in prison. He was released about one year ago after having served about two-thirds of his sentence. BERGER hopes to meet with TRENNER somewhere in Styria.
- e. BERGER does not expect to get a salary from [ ] organization until he has built up an intelligence operation on a firm basis.
3. [ ] asked BERGER again whether he knew General Heinrich MUELLER of the RSHA (para 8 of MAS-W-112; MAS-A-369) and BERGER replied that he had "of course" heard of and personally met in Berlin General MUELLER, called in Gestapo circles "der kleine MUELLER", who in BERGER's opinion was "the soul of the RSHA". BERGER explained that he never had the slightest intention of concealing his knowledge of MUELLER but when [ ] asked him in Salzburg whether he knew a Gestapo officer in Vienna named MUELLER, he did not associate this MUELLER with General MUELLER in Berlin. (It is correct that [ ] was not aware of the distinguished position held by MUELLER in the Gestapo when he first put the question to BERGER in Salzburg.) BERGER added that Franz Josef HUBER, former SS Brigadefuehrer and Inspekteur der Sicherheitswache und des SD for the Vienna area, a very close friend of Heinrich MUELLER was recently re-instated into the Munich police. HUBER and MUELLER had come up together from the police ranks and remained close friends. BERGER believes that, if anyone, HUBER should be in a position to furnish information on Heinrich MUELLER.
4. BERGER mentioned again Baron Guido COLARD (MAS-A-315, para 1, d) through whom he had met the lawyer, Napoleon BICHARY (MAV-W-3201, para 10). BERGER stated that COLARD had married shortly after the war and had started an import-export business in Vienna. COLARD was recently tried in a Vienna court, together with several of his business associates, for illegal transactions but was acquitted. BERGER thought that COLARD might be able to furnish information on Napoleon BICHARY and other Soviet agents. In BERGER's opinion, COLARD is certainly not a Communist nor a fellow-traveller but merely an adventurer, constantly in need of money, who, if he is serving the Soviets, is doing that for financial reasons only.

~~SECRET~~

10-6-2-3409

SECRET

WAS-A-604

- 3 -

5. In [ ] opinion, BERGER could develop into a useful asset to this Station. He certainly has a great deal of experience in anti-Communist operations and makes the impression of a reasonable, correct and intelligent person. BERGER does not appear to have any connections with other western IS and lives modestly in Feldbach as an insurance salesman. There is no doubt that he was a loyal servant of the Hitler regime and an efficient "Gestapist", but it is probably true when he states that he served the Nazis with no more enthusiasm than the DOLLFUS-SCHUSCHNIGG regimes, was not animated by the Nazi doctrine, but served the German Government out of attachment to the police service in which he has spent thirty years.
6. BERGER promised to keep [ ] au courant by mail and [ ] expects to meet with BERGER again at the occasion of the next visit to Landsers 9 in Graz in early August.
7. G-2 files checks in Salzburg and a check of the Graz police files by Landsers 9 proved negative.
- [ ]

2 - Wash w/1 incl.  
2 - Vien  
2 - Salz

SECRET

6-6-2-3409